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PAUL BRIDGEMAN, FORMER INMATE, MSP, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, ADVISED HE MET RAY IN PRISON IN NINETEEN SIXTY-FOUR. LAST SAW RAY FIRST TO MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY, LAST, IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, AT OLD FORTRESS BAR. BRIDGEMAN CLAIMS HE WAS APPROACHED BY GIRL WHO ASKED HIM IF HE WAS PAUL AND WHEN HE ANSWERED YES, SHE TOLD HIM HER NAME [redacted] AND THAT JIMMY WANTED TO SEE HIM. HE ADVISED HE FOLLOWED HER OUTSIDE AND MET RAY. RAY DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE T-BIRD, LIGHT BLUE WITH PLATES WHICH WERE WHITE WITH RED LETTERS. RAY TOLD BRIDGEMAN HE NEEDED SOME MONEY. BRIDGEMAN CLAIMS HE HAD ABOUT FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS ON HIM AND GAVE RAY THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS. AFTER HE GAVE RAY MONEY, RAY SAID, "I'LL SEE YOU

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THIS WEEKEND", AND LEFT. BRIDGEMAN CLAIMS THIS WAS LAST AND ONLY TIME HE SAW RAY SINCE RAY'S ESCAPE MSP.

HE DESCRIBED [redacted] AS FEMALE, WHITE, TWENTY-THREE, FIVE FEET TWO TO THREE INCHES, ONE ONE ZERO POUNDS, BLOND, ATTRACTIVE, WHO APPEARED FAMILIAR TO HIM [redacted]

WHILE AT MSP, BRIDGEMAN TOLD RAY HE HUNG OUT AT OLD FORTRESS AND HIGH HAT BARS IN KANSAS CITY AND THAT IS WHY RAY KNEW HOW TO FIND HIM. BRIDGEMAN RECALLS DISCUSSING WITH RAY WHILE AT MSP A [redacted], AKA [redacted] SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, WHO WAS DESCRIBED BY BRIDGEMAN AS "GOOD PEOPLE" FOR A CON ON THE RUN. SHE WORKED AT KINGS INN IN COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA.

RAY ALSO MENTIONED A DI RANGO'S OR RANGO'S IN LOS ANGELES CHINA TOWN [redacted] RAY TALKED LOT ABOUT MOHANNAN (PH) WHO OWNED PLACE CALLED PUSSY CAT A GO-GO ON GAS LIGHT SQUARE IN ST. LOUIS. BRIDGEMAN FELT RAY WELL KNOWN AT THIS NIGHT CLUB AND GOOD INFO CONCERNING RAY CAN BE OBTAINED THER[illegible]

[illegible] ON SOUTH BELDEN OR BELVAR IN

DENVER, COLORADO, WHERE BRIDGEMAN FELT RAY WOULD BE WELL KNOWN.

BRIDGEMAN MENTIONED FOLLOWING AS BEING FRIENDS OF RAY: [redacted] SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA; [redacted] NORTH GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS; [redacted] ST. LOUIS.

BRIDGEMAN DENIED EVER BEING OUT OF U.S. AND DENIED KNOWING ANYTHING CONCERNING RAY'S WHEREABOUTS. BRIDGEMAN DESCRIBED RAY AS BEING A PRETTY COOL CON WHO MANAGED TO OBTAIN INGREDIENTS, I.E., RAISINS, SUGAR, YEAST, WHICH HE USED TO MAKE INTOXICANTS WHILE AT MSP, MAJORITY OF WHICH HE SOLD TO OTHER INMATES. BRIDGEMAN EXPRESSED OPINION RAY WOULD BE CAPABLE OF MURDER BUT ONLY IF THERE WAS MONEY INVOLVED. RAY HAD STRONG DISLIKE FOR NEGROES AND REFUSED TO ATTEND VARIOUS SPORTING EVENTS WHILE AT PRISON DUE TO FACT MAJORITY OF TEAM CONSISTED OF NEGROES.

BRIDGEMAN ADVISED RAY AT ONE TIME MENTIONED WANTING TO GO TO BRAZIL AND ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CASTRO GOVERNMENT OF CUBA. HE ALSO MENTIONED WANTING TO GO TO AUSTRALIA BECAUSE HE FELT THERE WERE NO NEGROES IN AUSTRALIA.

DENVER, ATTEMPT TO LOCATE BAR ON SOUTH BELDEN OR BELVAR AND CONDUCT ANY INDICATED INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO DEVELOP INFO CONCERNING RAY.

KANSAS CITY, WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [redacted] AND CONDUCT ANY INDICATED INVESTIGATION AT OLD FORTRESS BAR AND HIGH HAT BAR.

LOS ANGELES, WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [redacted] SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA FOR ANY INFO SHE MAY HAVE CONCERNING RAY. WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND INTERVIEW [redacted] SANTA ANA. WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE THE DI RANGO'S OR RANGO'S IN LOS ANGELES CHINA TOWN AND CONDUCT ANY INDICATED INVESTIGATION CONCERNING RAY.

OMAHA, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE IOWA AUTO REGISTRATION FOR [redacted]

ST. LOUIS, WILL INTERVIEW [redacted] AND MAKE INQUIRY AT PUSSY CATA A GO-GO FOR INFO CONCERNING RAY.

SPRINGFIELS, WILL INTERVIEW [redacted] NORTH GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS.

[redacted] GIRL FRIEND OF BRIDGEMAN, ALSO INTERVIEWED

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BUT COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFO CONCERNING RAY.

ALL OFFICES EVALUATE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY BRIDGEMAN AND FURNISH MINNEAPOLIS WITH ANY PERTINENT INFO BECAUSE CONTACT BEING MAINTAINED WITH BRIDGEMAN AND [redacted] BRIDGEMAN WILL BE QUESTIONED CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED MEETING WITH RAY IN OKLAHOME WHEN RAY HAD PLENTY OF MONEY

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